



# Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc Newsletter

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November 2021 Hoover, Alabama



### **Dixie Vintage Events**

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Dixie Vintage First Saturday Cruise-In: Hoover Tactical Firearms November 6, 2021, 8-11 am. Trophy Presentation and Drawing, 9:30 am. 1621 Montgomery Highway Hoover, Alabama 35226

#### Wednesday, November 10, 6PM.

Dixie Vintage business meeting at Dale's, (their meeting room), 1843 Montgomery Hwy, Hoover, Al. Ed Zanaty, 205-585-8580

Dixie Vintage Mid-Month Cruise-In: Dunkin Lakeshore Saturday, November 20, 2021, 8-11 am. 300 Commons Drive Homewood, Alabama 35209

#### **December 4th**

There will be a collection for Toys for Tots at the Dixie Vintage First Saturday Cruise-In Hoover Tactical Firearms. See flyer on page 4.

## Visit <a href="http://www.dvaAc.com">http://www.dvaAc.com</a> for more

information about Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club.

You may mail your dues (\$20) check to:

Ed Zanaty, 1312 Forest Ridge Court, Birmingham, AL 35226.

Checks should be made payable to Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club. Thank you!





## "Dixie Vintage Cruise-in at Hoover Tactical "

We will vacate the lot by 11:00A. Upon arrival at the cruise-in please park in spaces closest to Hwy 31 between Hoover Tactical and O'Reilly Auto parts. The other side of the parking lot is reserved for Hoover Tactical customers.

### **New Process for Ordering Name Tags**

Dixie Vintage has streamlined the process for ordering name tags. This new process will expedite the delivery of your nametag to your home. The member needing a name tag will complete an order form and mail it with payment to Crown Trophy. The finished name tag will be mailed to you.

We encourage each of our members to own and wear a Dixie Vintage Car Club name tag. We really do want to get to know you. The cost of the name tag is \$10.00.



#### **Newsletter Editor**

Do you have a classic car story? Are you working on a restoration project?

Please let us know. Email: jekbest@aol.com

#### **New Car Members**

#### **New Club Members**

Harold and Karen Hubbard Birmingham, Alabama 1952 Ford F1 PU 1986 Ford F-100

Allen and Kathleen Kniphferal Birmingham, Alabama 2007 Cadillac XLR 1953 Chevy 3100 1977 GMC K-10

Claude and Alena Lawson Birmingham, Alabama 1978 Datsun 280 Z Coupe

Bob and Cherie Norman Canal Winchester, Ohio 1957 Chevy Four Door

Bill Osthoff Vestavia, Alabama 1976 Toyota Land Cruiser 2 Door SUV

Doug Adamson and Patti Young-Adamson Birmingham, Alabama 1970 Chevrolet SS Hardtop

Welcome to the Club!

Winner of the October 2021 Drawing:

Dan Wilson Congrats, Dan!

#### **Dixie Vintage Antique**

#### **Automobile Club**

The Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club Newsletter is published monthly by Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc., a non-profit Alabama Corporation. The purpose of this Club is to promote interest in restoring and preserving antique, classic, and special interest old cars; and to provide a social club for members and their families of mutual interest to all. Monthly meetings and activities are conducted in a variety of locations. We encourage membership from other automobile clubs and orphan marquees.

The only requirement to become a member of Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc. is an interest in the history and preservation of automobiles.

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# Pagoda Driving Paradise by Dixie Vintage Member Ralph Neely

Many of you have seen my single owner 1969 Mercedes-Benz 280SL at our DVAAC events. Known by Mercedes enthusiasts as the w113 model this series has been nicknamed the "Pagoda" due to the particular shape of the removable hardtop. Designed by Frenchman Paul Bracq, 48,912 examples were produced between 1963 and 1971 varying primarily by three distinct engine sizes: 2.3, 2.5- and 2.8-liters displacement. I am a member of the international Pagoda owner/enthusiast organization sl113.org and I participate in the group's events when possible.

In late September, the group held their 2021 Euro event in Seefeld, Austria. The event originally scheduled for 2020 had been postponed, cancelled and finally rescheduled a year later due to the COVID pandemic. I was able to participate in this event due to the generosity of my friend Peter March, from Merano, Italy, one of the organizing committee, who loaned me a Pagoda for the event. Participation was limited to twenty-four cars for organizational reasons. The event included cars from Germany, Sweden, the Netherlands, France, England, USA, Scotland, Italy and the Czech Republic.

Our participation started with a Thursday afternoon drive from Merano, Italy a beautiful city in the German speaking southern Tyrol region of the Dolomites, to Seefeld in Tyrol, Austria near Innsbruck. Rather than take the motorway we crossed 8,500 ft (2450m) Passo del romba (Timmelsjock) in a spirited drive with four Pagodas. Not all passengers were at ease with portions of the 90-mile drive! You can "Google" Timmelsjock for photos and videos of the pass.

Thursday evening at the event hotel a meet-and-greet cocktail party and arrival dinner was held with distribution of goody bags containing event shirts, road books for the scheduled Friday and Saturday drives and event plates for mounting on the cars.

Friday's 104-mile drive started at 8:30am in bright sunshine at about 50 degrees. Twenty-four cars in caravan was a site to behold. It was only a short run to the German border and the balance of the day's drive was in Germany including a rest stop at Linderhof Palace with prosecco, spec and smoked salmon served off the trunk lid, and the days lunch was in the Bavarian town of Wallgau. The run back to the event hotel in Seefeld was an independent drive.

Saturday's 75-mile drive started a bit later at 9:30am again in bright sunshine and again at about 50 degrees. All of Saturday's drive including the days lunch was in Austria ending up at the Kaiserjager museum in Innsbruck the museum is dedicated to the defense of Innsbruck by Tyrolean fighters from French and Bavarian troops in 1809. The highlight of the museum is the panoramic painting depicting the battle.

Some additional pictures and video of the event taken by fellow participants can be viewed at the following links.

https://photos.app.goo.gl/8BmFnAbz9rfD7Uss8

https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWPNwfz

https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWQJkhe

Three pictures can be found on page 4.

I am sure you will agree after viewing that this event was a Pagoda driving Paradise!

Ralph Neely

DVAAC member Ralph Neely posted these pictures from a recent event in Europe. The story is on page 3.













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Pictured to the right are cars from a recent gathering in Chelsea at City Hall.

Spring Street Bar & Grill







#### It's 1948

United Auto Workers succeed in linking wage increases to cost-of-living index in contract with General Motors Porsche is founded

New Car cost \$1,550

Gasoline was twenty-six cents a gallon

Bread cost fourteen cents a loaf

A house cost \$7,700

Wages were \$2,950

One million households owned a television set

Random storage device for a computer was invented

33 RPM records were introduced

The transistor radio is developed by Bell Laboratories.

Grocery shopping in 1948 is pictured below.



# One Stop Shop

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January 1948 the first Hot Rod magazine was published by the Petersen Publishing Company. Robert E. Petersen was the founder and Bob Lindsay was his partner. The editor was Wally Parks. Petersen later built the Petersen Automotive Museum in Los Angeles. Wally Parks founded the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA).

10,000 copies were produced for the first edition pictured below. It is the oldest magazine devoted to the Hot Rod Culture.





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The 2022 Dixie Vintage Member Decal is now payment (\$20) of your 2022 Club Dues.



Each month DVAAC President Ed Zanaty presents the Dixie Vintage Auto Club 's award trophy to two current club paying members. A picture of the trophy is to the right.



Pictured left is one of the October 2021 Cruise-In Favorite Trophy winners, Ashley Curry with his 2003 50th anniversary Corvette

DVAAC President Ed Zanaty is presenting the trophy.

Pictured right is the other winner of the October 2021 Cruise-In Favorite Trophy winner, Rich Galbraith standing in front of his 1947 Chrysler Royal 4 door sedan.

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